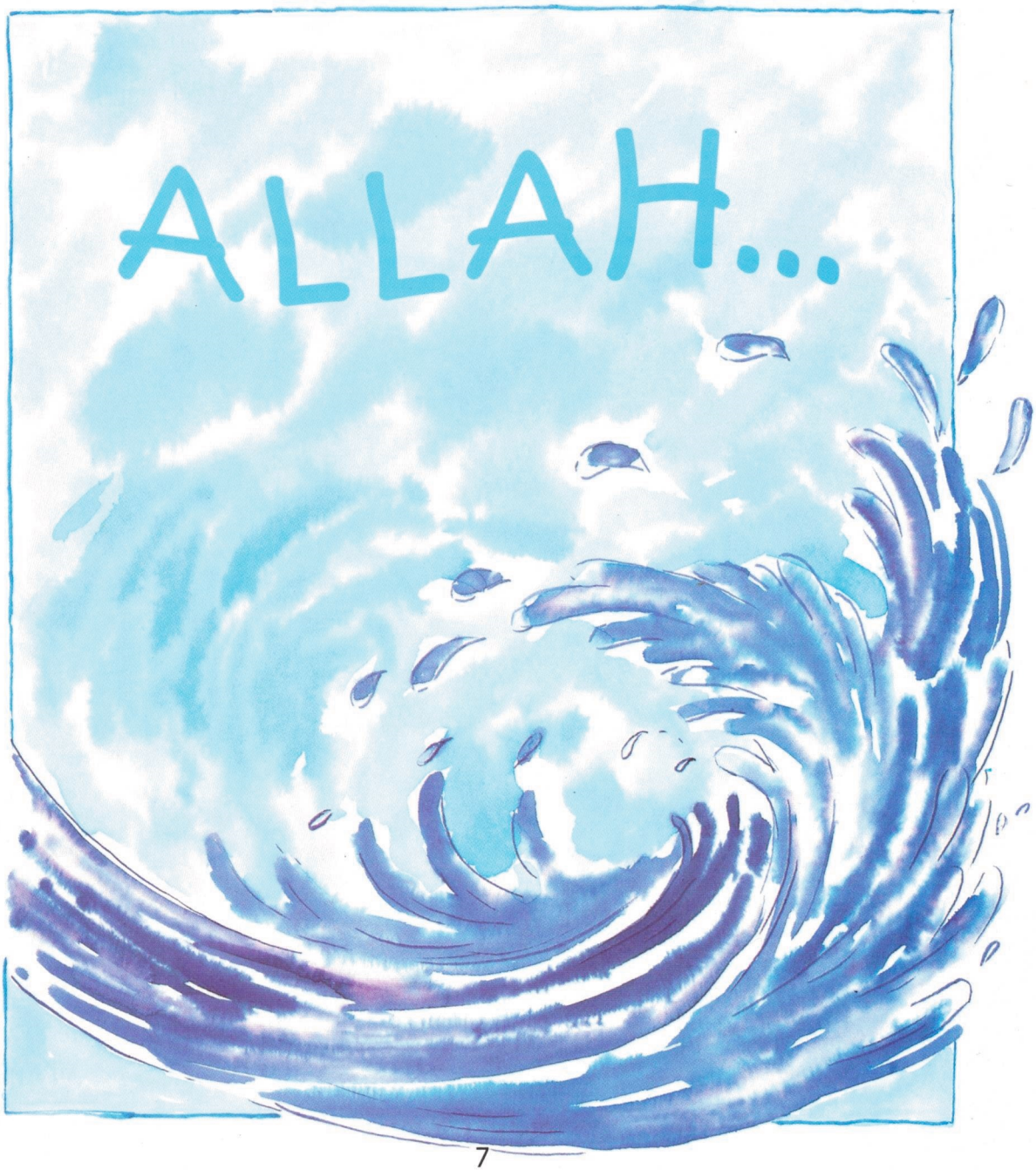
Quran Stories for Young Readers

The Most Honorable Woman

Goodwordkidz


ALLAH...

The Most Honorable Woman

by

SANIYASNAIN KHAN

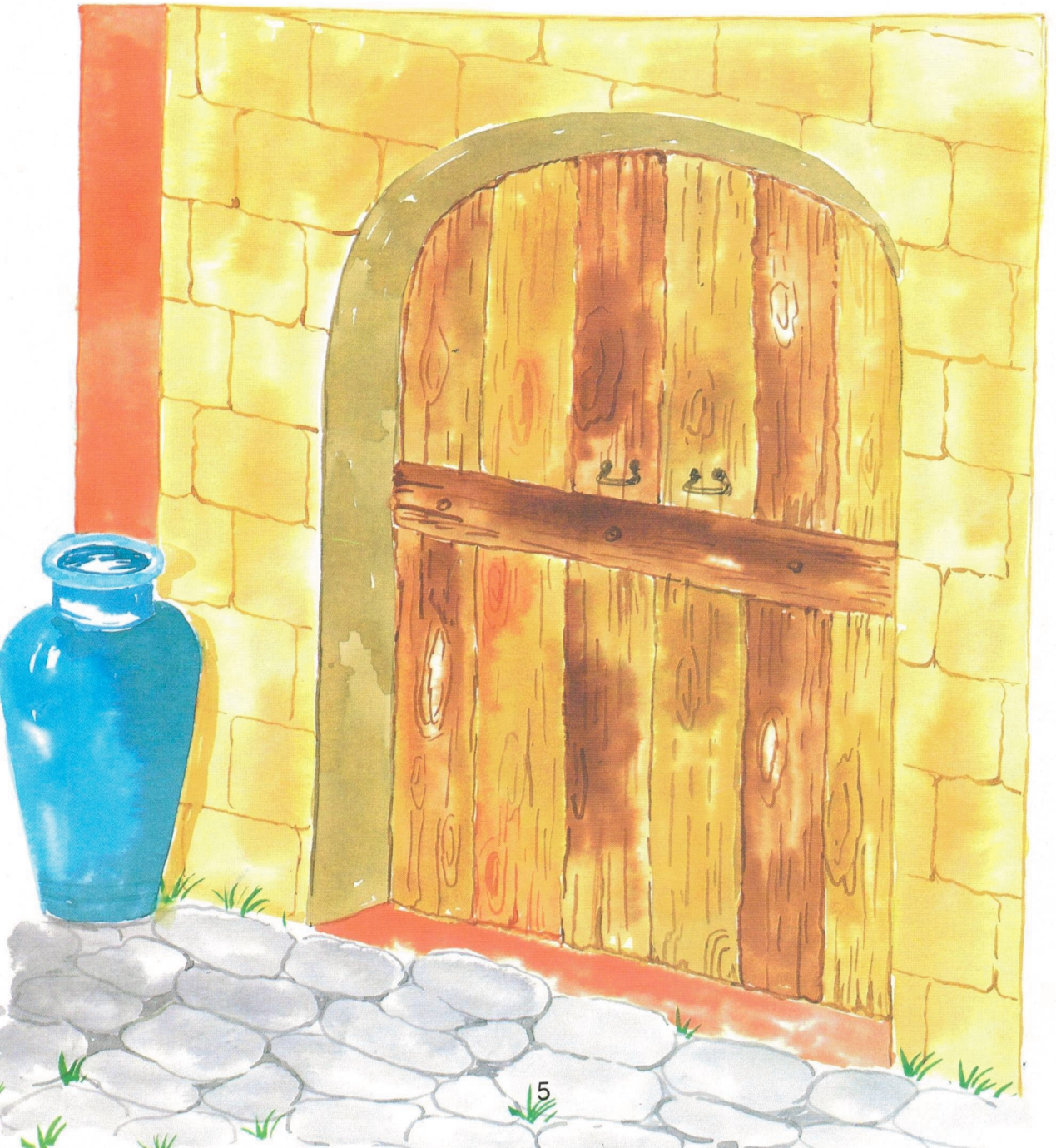
Goodwordkidz

Helping you build a family of faith

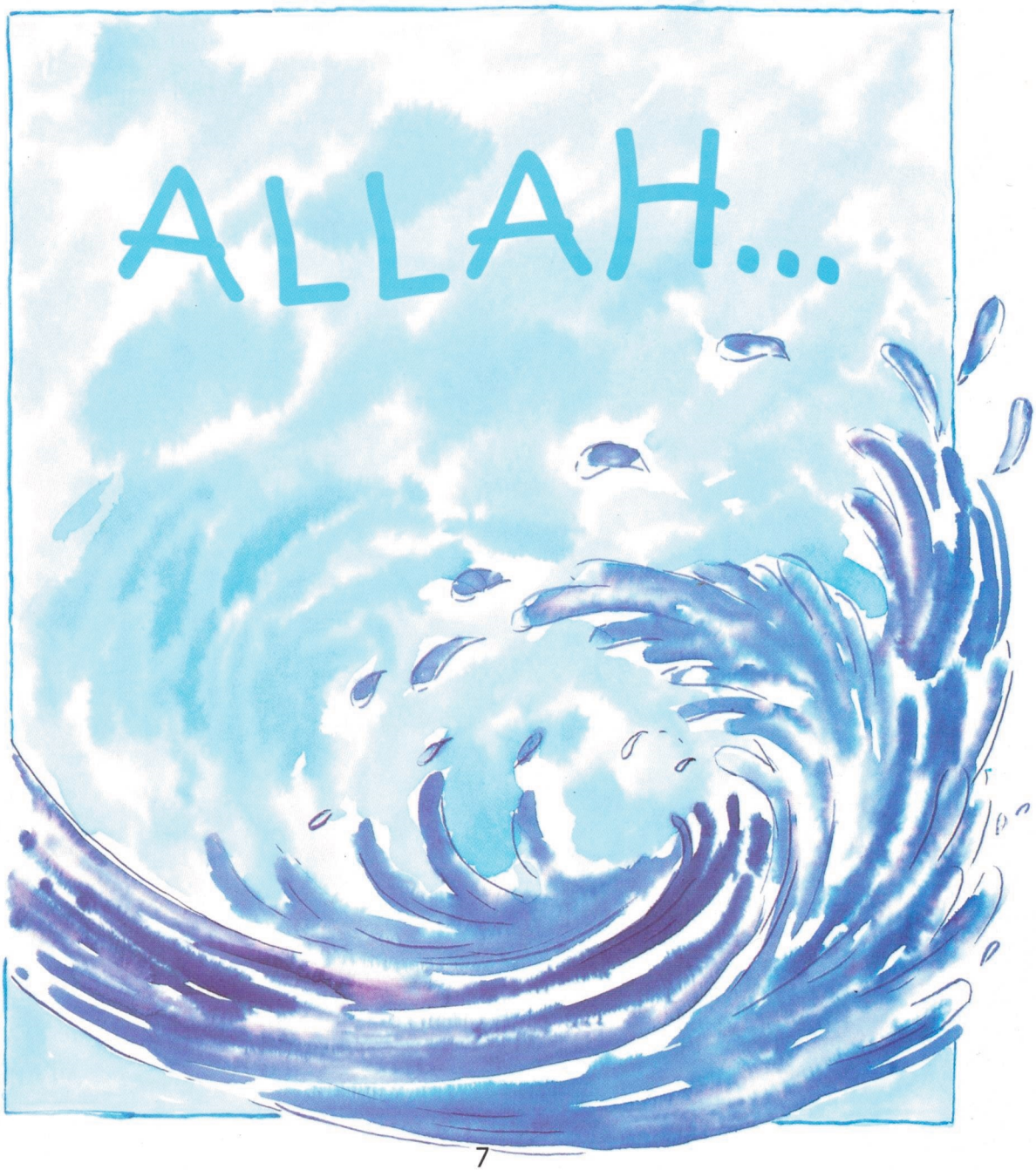
About some 700 years before the birth of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, there lived a pious woman in Jerusalem. Her name was Hannah (Anne). Her husband was Imran.

500
YEARS BEFORE
THE PROPHET
MUHAMMAD
400

Hannah prayed to Allah for a child and vowed that the child would spend her life serving Allah. Allah heard her prayers, and she gave birth to a beautiful baby girl who was named Maryam (Mary).

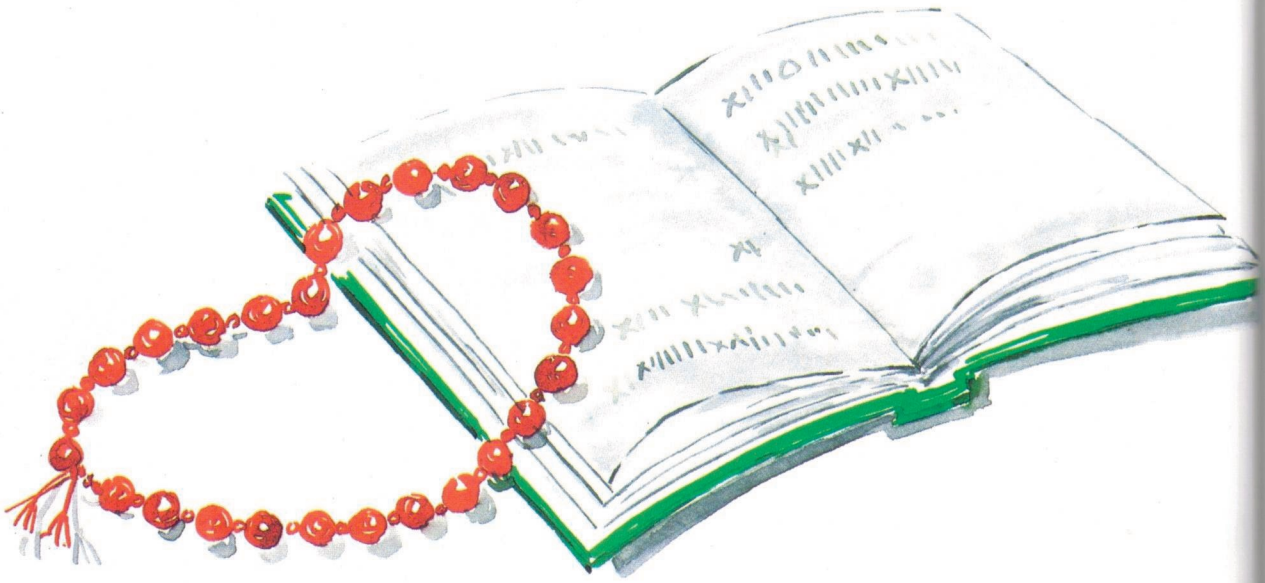


When she gave birth to Maryam, she felt sad and said: "O my Lord! I have given birth to a female."


ALLAH...

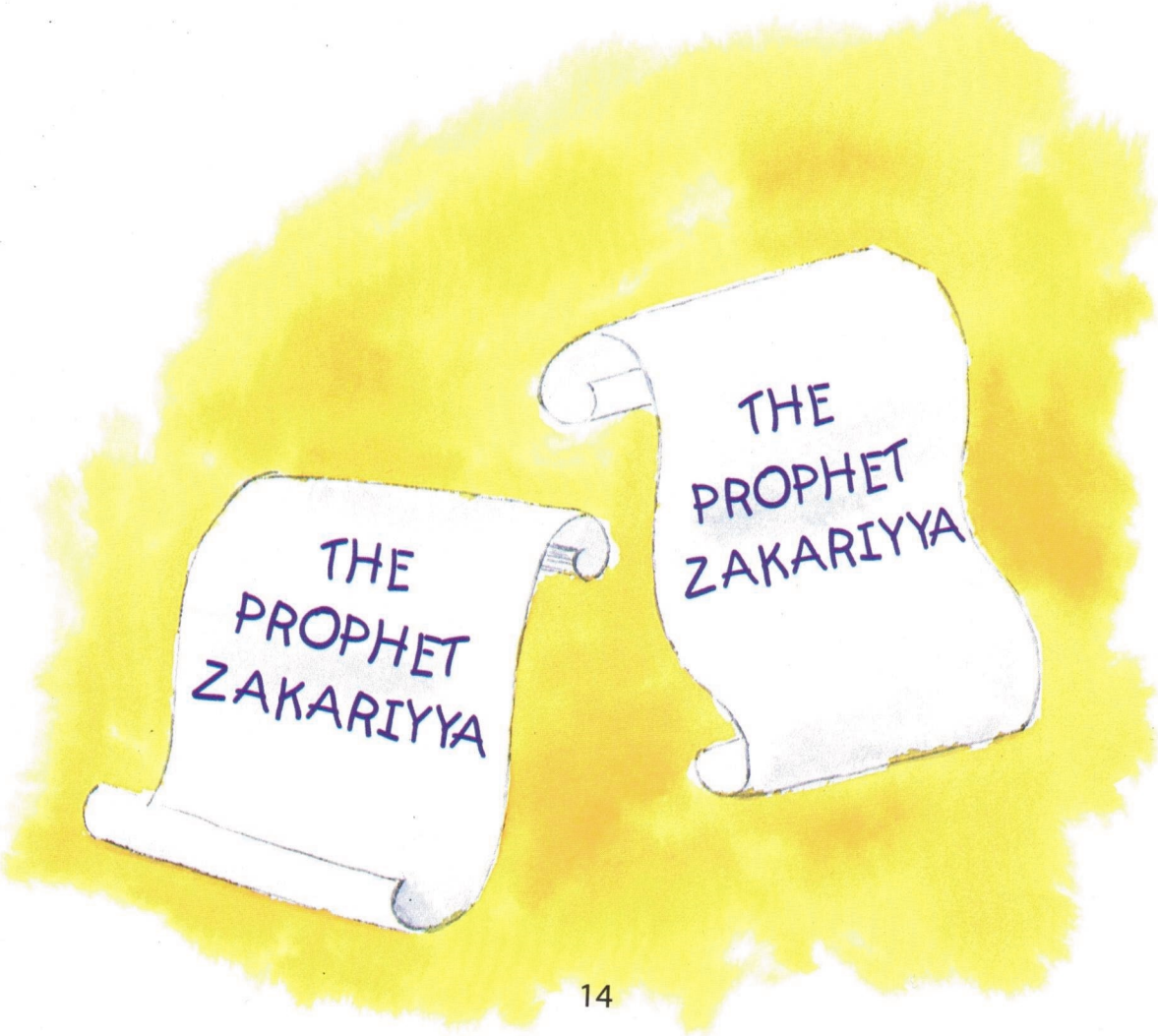
For only a male child could do priestly work. It had always been so. But Allah graciously accepted the girl-child and caused her to grow up in purity.

When Maryam began serving Allah, (as promised by her mother) the priests so admired her deep respect for Allah that every one of them felt it would be an honor to be her guardian.



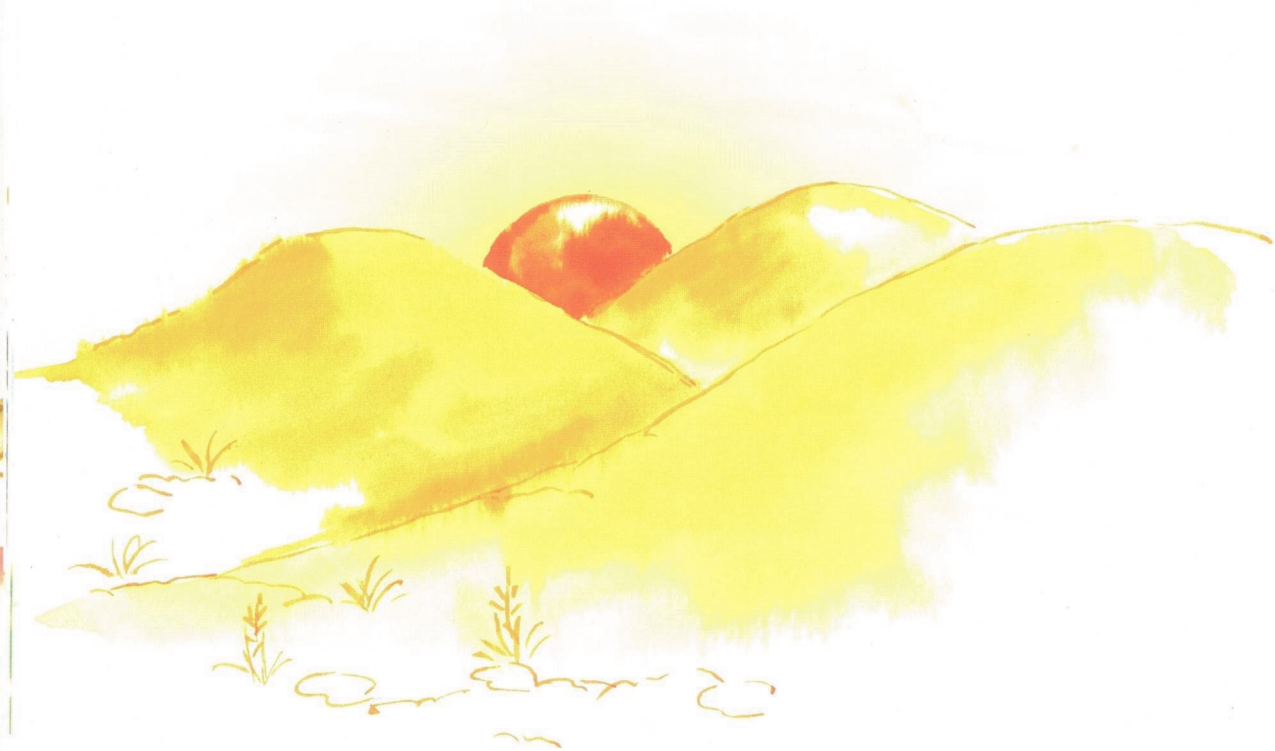
So they drew lots using their reed pens, to decide who the guardian should be.

But each time the lots were drawn, they proved to be in favor of the Prophet Zakariyya عليه السلام.

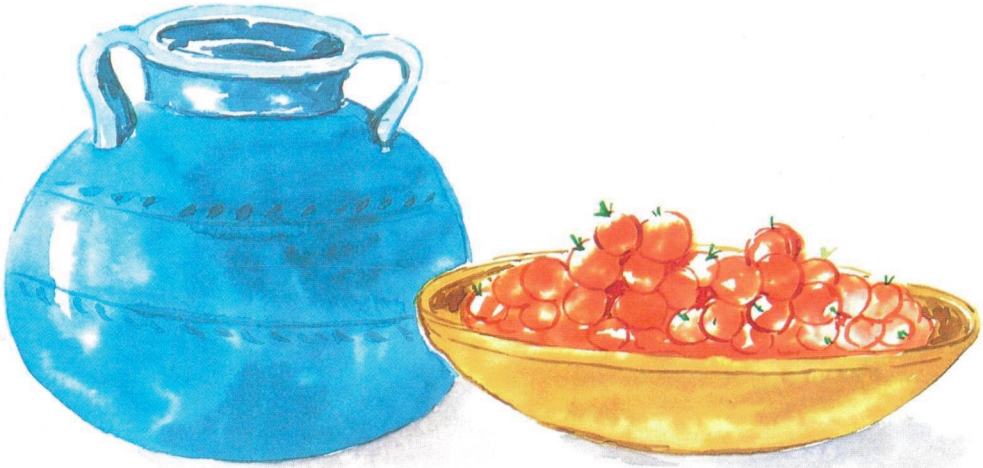


The Prophet Zakariyya عليه السلام was an uncle of Maryam and the chief priest at the Temple in Jerusalem. In this way, she grew up in the loving care of Zakariyya عليه السلام.

Whenever Zakariyya عليه السلام went to see Maryam praying in the *mihrab,* or prayer-niche, he was amazed to find fresh food, and he would ask her about it.



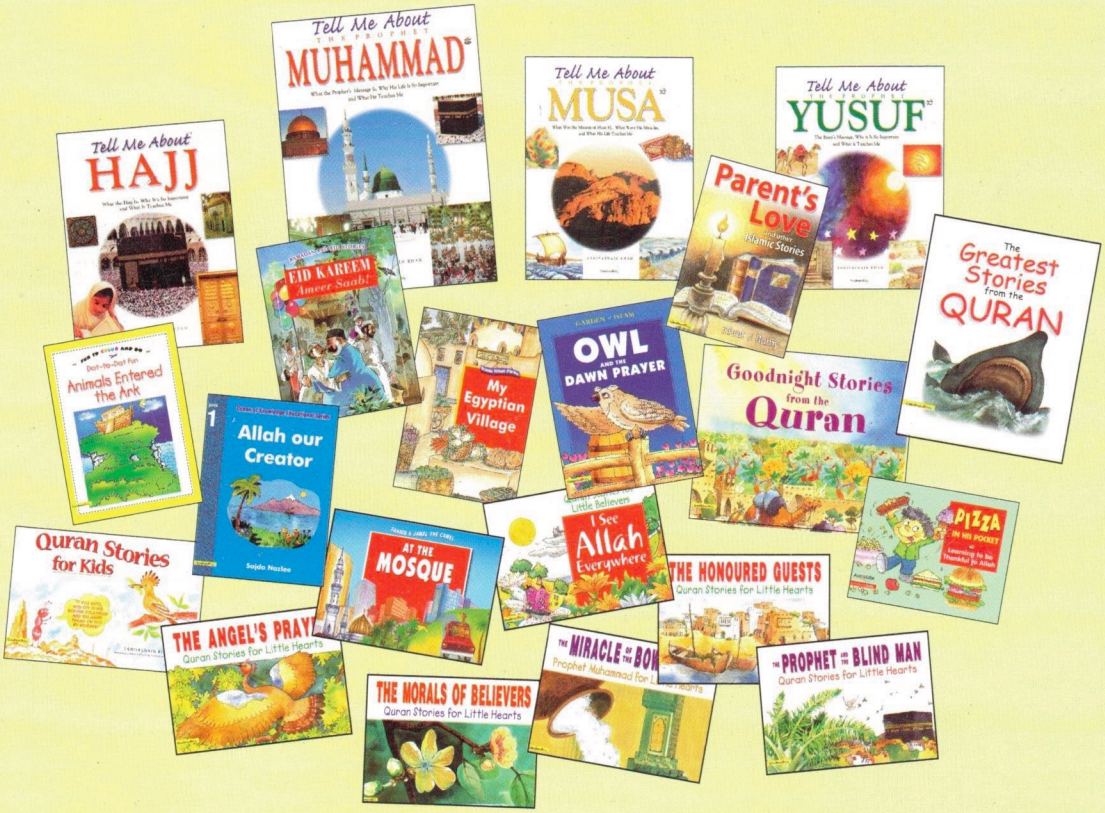
"O Maryam! Where is this food from?"
"From Allah," she would answer.
"Allah gives as much as He likes to
whoever He pleases."



And so Maryam was raised to be a pious and most devout servant of Allah.

"ALLAH GIVES AS MUCH AS HE LIKES TO WHOEVER HE PLEASES"!

Maryam would spend most of her time in prayer and devotion, and soon she became known for being a very good and pure person. Thus the Quran fondly remembers her: "We have set her above all other women."



goodwordbooks.com

The Most Honorable Woman

Quran Stories for Young Readers is a series of attractive picture books, designed to entertain very young children, while awakening in them an understanding about the message of the Quran.

This series will help children appreciate the best loved stories from the Quran, which will become a foundation for them for further reading.

As a pre-school reading course, it will help parents to explain and enrich the divine message by a simple and easy-to-understand method. With the help of this series, parents will find it extremely rewarding to share their knowledge with their loved ones.

Goodwordkidz
Helping you build a family of faith

ISBN 81-7898-018-5
9 788178 980188

Rs 60.00